(Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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Allison M. Macfarlane, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2018.

Brian C. Deese, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

William S. Jasien, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2015.

Ann Marie Buerkle, of New York, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2011.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of General Services.

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, and Navy. Pages \$5508-09, \$5511-12

Howard A. Shelanski, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth Allen Polite, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Robert Bonnie, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

Krysta L. Harden, of Georgia, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.

Susan J. Rabern, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Katherine M. O'Regan, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Ellen C. Herbst, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Ellen C. Herbst, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Commerce.

Ronald J. Binz, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2018.

James Costos, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Andorra.

Patrick Hubert Gaspard, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa.

Steve A. Linick, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of State.

James C. Swan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Kirk W.B. Wagar, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore.

Alexa Lange Wesner, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria.

Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security.

- 35 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 24 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Navy. Pages \$5510-11

### Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Executive Communications: Pages S5493-95

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—168) Pages \$5329, \$5330, \$5356-57

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m., until 12:15 p.m. on Friday, June 28, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5510.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill (S. 1243) making appropriations for Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014; and

An original bill (S. 1245) making appropriations for Energy and Water Development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014.

#### NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Melvin L. Watt, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, who was introduced by Senators Hagan and Burr, Jason Furman, of New York, to be a Member and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, Kara Marlene Stein, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Reed, and Michael Sean Piwowar, of Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Crapo, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Richard T. Metsger, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, who was introduced by Senator Merkley, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

# EXPLOSIONS IN WEST, TEXAS AND GEISMAR, LOUISIANA

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Federal risk management and emergency planning programs to prevent and address chemical threats, including the events leading up to the explosions in West, Texas and Geismar, Louisiana, after receiving testimony from Rafael Moure-Eraso, Chairperson, Chemical Safety Board; Barry N. Breen, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; Randall L. Sawyer, Contra Costa

Health Services, Martinez, California; Richard Webre, Ascension Parish Office of Homeland Security, Gonzales, Louisiana; Paul Orum, Coalition to Prevent Chemical Disasters, Washington, D.C.; M. Sam Mannan, Texas A&M University System Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center, College Station; and Kim Nibarger, United Steelworkers, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine contract management by the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Gregory H. Friedman, Inspector General, and Jack Surash, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Project Management, Office of Environmental Management, both of the Department of Energy; Joseph F. Bader, Board Member, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; Michael Graham, Bechtel National, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Michael McKlevy, CH2M HILL Constructors, Inc., Englewood, Colorado; and Frank Sheppard, Parsons Salt Waste Processing Facility, Pasadena, California.

#### **INTELLIGENCE**

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

# House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 41 public bills, H.R. 2529–2569; 1 private bill, H.R. 2570; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 280–284 were introduced. **Pages H4141–45** 

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H4145-46

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Poe (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:13 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Chaplain Angel Berrios, 308th Military Intelligence Battalion, Fort Meade, Maryland. Page H4091

**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:54 p.m. and reconvened at 2:09 p.m. **Page H4105** 

Outer Continental Shelf Transboundary Hydrocarbon Agreements Authorization Act: The House passed H.R. 1613, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to provide for the proper Federal management and oversight of transboundary hydrocarbon reservoirs, by a recorded vote of 256 ayes to 171 noes, Roll No. 293. Pages H4096–H4108

Rejected the Garcia motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House